



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 172 without my signature.

This bill would require information about state contracts and audits to be posted on a specific, new website. Information about state contracts can already be found at www.dgs.ca.gov/pd/programs/eprocure, and I am issuing an Executive Order to ensure that these contracts continue to be posted on this site. Audits conducted by the Bureau of State Audits can be found at www.bsa.ca.gov. Other audits are readily available as public records.

While governmental transparency is laudable, there's no need for a new law.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Edmund G. Brown Jr.", with a large, stylized flourish extending from the end of the signature.

Edmund G. Brown Jr.